ABSTRACT

A communication system comprising a call control system and a gateway coupled to the call control system and coupled to a first network node and a second network node. The gateway interworks first communications to a first transport type for the first network node and interworks second communications to a second transport type for the second network node. The gateway, responsive to a status change associated with the first network node, transfers a first update message to the call control system wherein the first update message indicates the status change associated the first network node and the first transport type. The call control system, responsive to receiving the first update message from the gateway, determines a first priority associated with the first update message based on the first transport type.